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COUNTRY - South Vietnam

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SUBJECT Movement of Two U.S. Prisoners
near Truong Thanh Village,
Phong Phu District, Phong Dinh
Province

ACQ - Vietnam, Can Tho (23 November 1971)

SOURCE

1. In October 1967 at about 1500 hours [redacted] saw two American prisoners of war (POW's) being transported by sampan along the Ba Con Canal from the direction of Truong Thanh Village (WS690085) toward Dinh Mon Village (WS655119) in Phong Phu District, Phong Dinh Province. (Field Comment: [redacted] could not remember the exact day.) He watched the two from a distance of ten meters for about one minute.

2. Both men were seated and their hands were tied behind their backs with rope. Neither had a hat, shirt or glasses, and [redacted] could see no rings or watches. Both men wore green fatigue trousers. No scars or tattoos were noticed, and neither of the men appeared to be wounded. Both had short, light brown, curly hair. The shorter of the two men had a dark bushy beard and weighed about 190 pounds. The taller man also weighed about 190 pounds. Both were young Caucasians.

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3. The sampan was about five meters long and was not motorized. It was not painted and had no markings. Along with the POW's were eight guards, armed with three AK-47 rifles and one submachine gun. They were not wearing uniforms. [REDACTED], [REDACTED] the guards, [REDACTED] some of them as members of the local guerrilla force.

4. [REDACTED] This report was shown to the Joint Personnel Recovery Center (JPRC), which advised that no tentative identification of the POW's could be made and that normal movement of POW's could have resulted in this sighting.)

5. Field Dissem: Embassy USMACV USAID CORDS 7th Air Force USARV NAVFORV 1021 FAS 525th MI Gp OSI at Saigon; sent to CINCPAC PACFLT PACAF ARPAC.

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